

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of: SHIBANUMA, Takashi, et al.

Group Art Unit: 1711

Serial No.: 10/511,442

Examiner: John M. COONEY

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FOR: PROCESS FOR PRODUCING SYNTHETIC RESIN FOAM, BLOWING AGENT

AND PREMIX

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

July 6, 2006

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated March 6, 2006, extended to July 6, 2006 by a One
(1) month Petition for Extension of Time, please amend the above-identified application as follows: